## it, declaring that, if true, it would cause a tre-mendous outburst of popular feeling in Japan. THE COUNCIL AT TOKIO.

### Sessions Continued Under the Presidency of the Emperor.

Tokio, Aug. 28 .- The conference of the Cabinet officers and Elder Statesmen adjourned at 2 o'clock this afternoon. The deliberations were later resumed under the presidency of the Emperor. It is believed that the decision will mean

a continuance of the war or peace. Tokio continues to be exceedingly quiet. No manifestations have resulted from the outwardly

critical situation. The public remains uninformed regarding the latest developments at Portsmouth, but seemed to-day to be convinced that peace was hopeless. The market reflected this sentiment. After the erening prices sharply declined. Shares of the exchange itself declined 20 yen, the heaviest fall on the list.

A failure of the peace negotiations would be generally regretted, but the press and all other expressions indicate widespread preference for a continuance of the war rather than the accept-

ance of unsatisfactory terms. Underlying this popular attitude is deep rooted confidnce that Field Marshal Oyama will defeat General Linevitch and take Harbin, and that the Japanese will completely overrun the ceast provinces. It is also thought that the cost of the operation will be greatly lowered after the main Russian army has been defeated, and that the struggle will continue for a long period,

#### RUMOR OF PEACE BASIS.

#### Russia, However, Still Refuses to Bear Any Expenses of War.

(By The Associated Press.) St. Petersburg, Aug. 29.—The Associated Press's dispatch from Portsmouth, saying that President Roosevelt was authorized several days ago on behalf of Japan to waive all claim for indemnity or reimbursement for the cost of the war, and to cede back to Russia the northern half of the island of Saghalien, leaving the "redemption" price of it to the arbitration of a mixed commission, was received too late here to-night to reach the general public, but its significance was instantly recognized in the few quarters where it became known.

There is every reason to believe, judging from the official expressions persistently given out by the Foreign Office since the beginning of the negotiations at Portsmouth, that this proposal by Japan to waive the question of indemnity goes far toward removing the last and, according to official explanations, the only stumbling block in the way of peace.

The Foreign Office has said that every disputed point between Russia and Japan, with the exception of the payment of indemnity, had been practically arranged on a basis satisfactory to both sides, but that Russia would never pay an indemnity. If the latest proposals of Japan mean that she waives all claims to indemnity of any kind or description, giving up all idea of relmbursement for the expenses of the war in any guise whatsoever, and in place thereof is prepared to accept for the restoration to Russia of the northern half of Saghalien a redemption price to be fixed by an unbiased commission, this price to be determined upon the actual value of the island, and not to take into account Japan's war expenses or to carry a concealed indemnity to Japan, there is reason for the aswas never understood here in this way, and for the deduction, according to the Russian official statement, that the stumbling block to peace can be removed, and that there ought to be a new and promising basis for the continuance of

#### CZAR CALLS OUT TROOPS.

#### Mobilization Ordered in 12 Governments and of the Don Cossacks.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 28.-An imperial ukase, dated August 19, orders the mobilization of troops for the reinforcement of the army in the Far East. The order applies to certain districts. in the governments of Vilna, Grodno, Kovno, Courland, Livonia, Perm. Viatka, Simbirsk, Saratoff, Orenburg, Astrakhan and Ufa, and to the Don Cossacks. Horses have been requisitioned in various districts of eighteen govern-

Telegrams from various centres, including Riga, Windau and Simbirsk, announce the beginning of an extensive mobilization of army reserve men.

Rumors are current of the impending resignation of General Durnovo, Governor General of Moscow.

The order for mobilization affects, besides the Don Cossacks, only seventy of the 792 districts of the empire. Only one district each in the governments of Grodno and Livonia and two in that of Astrakhan are included, the remaining sixty-six being in the other nine governments. This mobilization will not interfere with the regular mid-September enrollment of recruits, which is expected to bring to the colors nearly 400,000 men, though, of course, these will be un-

### GERMAN PEACE MOTIVES.

### Reasons Why the Kaiser Should Desire the End of War.

Berlin, Aug. 28.-Chancellor Von Bülow's telegram from Norderney on August 26, affirming that the German Emperor and the German government have never ceased to support peace whenever an opportunity offered, was reproduced in New-York dispatches to Berlin newspapers to-day. The occasion was taken to compare this news with the assertions of the British and French press that Emperor William had covertly persuaded Emperor Nicholas to continue the war. The newspapers say that the general political and economic situation gives Germany adequate and powerful reasons for desiring peace, such as the safety of German investments in Russia, and the necessity for the expansion in Russia, and the necessity for the expansion of German industries in the Russian market. There are also important monarchical and dy-



nastic reasons which in themselves would be sufficient to make the German Crown desire

#### CAUCASUS UNAPPEASED.

#### Apathy Toward Assembly Scheme-Defiance at Odessa.

Vladikavkaz, Caucasia, Aug. 28.-The anouncement of a National Assembly was received n the chief towns of the Caucasus with apathy. This is explainable by the predominating interest taken in local needs, which are not effected by the reform, and also by the fact that it is impossible to conduct an electoral campaign because there is no freedom of the press or speech,

Odessa, Aug. 28 .- The Ministry of Public Instruction has notified the officials of the local university and other institutions of its intention to amend the university statutes of 1884, which have been condemned by professors and students all over the country. A meeting today of three hundred and forty-two professors decided to continue to refuse to take part in university work until the people generally received full civil rights and the universities had complete academic autonomy.

#### KUROPATKIN RESIGNS.

#### Report That Bad Health Has Forced General to Quit Service.

London, Aug. 29 .- The Japanese correspondnt of "The Daily Telegraph" at Moji sends a report that General Kuropatkin has resigned his command and that his health has collapsed.

#### RUMOR OF ARMY REFORM.

#### Plan to Abolish System of Officers' Servants at the Front.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 28.-It is now proposed to make the officers an allowance with which to provide themselves with servants, doing away with military servants. This would increase the fighting force by nearly 50,000 men.

#### A THREAT TO MOROCCO.

#### France Holds Two Cruisers Ready to Enforce Demand.

Toulon, Aug. 28.-The French naval authorities have received orders to hold two cruisers in readiness to proceed to Morocco in case the Sultan's reply to the French demands in reference to the imprisonment of the French Algerian nerchant, Bouzian, are unsatisfactory.

#### GERMAN WELCOME TO BRITISH.

#### Cordiality Shown at Dinner to Officers of Channel Fleet at Swinemunde.

Swinemunde, Aug. 28.—The presence of the British and German fleets in these waters today brought an influx of visitors. Their demeanor was in no way hostile, but it was notably cold. Through the day there was a constant succession of visitors to the British vessels. The customary official visits were exchanged between the admirals and the shore authorities, but no attempt at special decorations in honor of the fleets was made.

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The authorities this evening gave a dinner in honor of the British officers. Seventy-two covers were laid, those at table including Admiral Sir Arthur Wilson and Grand Admiral von Koester. The former proposed a toast to the German people, to the Port of Swinemunde and to the good understanding which existed between Great Britain and Germany.

Burgomaster Chiermans, in proposing a toast to the British fleet, said: "We feel that we are among friends, and trust that the British officers also feel that they are among friends."

The utmost cordiality prevailed.

### AN AFRICAN BAND DEFEATED.

#### German Marines Kill Seventy-three Natives and Drive Many Into River.

Berlin, Aug. 28.-A detachment of marines surprised about one thousand insurgent natives, half of whom were armed with rifles, near Ko woni, German East Africa, August 25. The Germans killed seventy-three of the rebels and drove many others into the River Rifiji, where they were drowned. No German casualties have been reported.

# THE RAINBOW FLOATED.

# Flagship of Philippine Squadron Hauled Off

Mindanao Coast.

Manila, Aug. 28.-The Rainbow was floated to-day. The Rainbow, the flagship of the Philippine squadron, with Rear Admiral Reiter on board, went ashore on August 25 at the mouth of the Agusan

#### River, Butuan Bay, North Mindanao. SAW AND SONG IN JAIL.

#### Tool Smuggled in Boy's Clothing Nearly Frees Six Prisoners.

Ithaca, N. Y., Aug. 28.-Six prisoners in the Tompkins County Jail, held to await action of the grand jury next month, would have been at large by morning had not their plans been discovered by Sheriff Curry to-night.

Elmer Bickal, Rove Barton and Ernest Miner, members of a gang of thieves recently captured after striking terror through this section for three weeks, were the leaders in the attempt to escape. They had sawed five bars in the roof of escape. They had sawed five bars in the roof of the Iron cage on the upper tier, and intended to cut the sixth to-night, which would have given them access to the roof of the jail, from which they would easily have reached the ground by means of a rope made of blankets.

Continued singing and walking about in the upper compartment, to drown the sound of the saw, aroused the suspicions of the Sheriff, who found the work. The saws were snuggled to the prisoners by the nine-year-old brother of one of them inside his trouser legs.

### BASEBALL TO THE RESCUE.

#### The National Game Helps Two Long Lost Brothers to Find Each Other.

Through the reading of the baseball news in one of the daily papers William J. Thompson, of Roselle, N. J., discovered the whereabouts of his brother, Frank W. Thompson, from whom he

had been separated for twenty years.

Frank W. Thompson, of No. 686 Warren-st., is the manager of the All-Brooklyn Baseball Club. His brother happened to run across the name in some baseball naws, and determined to see if the manager was the brother for whom he had been looking so long. His hopes were rewarded.

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seems that William Thompson, father of It seems that willam Thompson, father of the brothers, who was a printer, was found mur-dered in a hallway of a house in Broome-st., Manhattan, in 1885, No clew to the murderer was ever found. A year later the mother died, and the family separated.

### WAS NOT POISONED BY HIS WIFE.

#### Woman Who Accused Herself of Killing Husband Adjudged Insane.

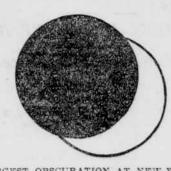
Buffalo, Aug. 28.-The death of John A Honer, the Buffalo merchant, was due to cholera morbus and heart disease, and not due to carbolle acid administered by his wife. Mrs. Honer gave herself up to the police on the day of her husband's death, saying she had polsoned him. She has been adjudged insane.

# ECLIPSE OF THE SUN. KEPT FATHER FROM CHILD.

# Early To-morrow Morning.

If the weather is favorably to-morrow morning the people of the eastern part of the United States and Can da will witness an unusual celestial phenomenon. Eclipses of the sun occur every year or two, but in order to see them it is usually necessary to so a long distance from home. The last eclipse that was seen in this country occurred in May, 1900. 'The path along which the sun was completely hidden went from a point in North Carolina across the Atlantic to southern Spain, and thence diagonally over the Mediterranean to Africa. In the vicinity of New-York the eclipse was only a partial one.

south of Hudson Bay, emerges on the Labrador coast and follows much the same route there-



LARGEST OBSCURATION AT NEW-YORK

after as did the other, except that it reaches into Arabia after crossing northern Egypt. South of the path, which is only about fifty miles wide, this

eclipse, too, will be partial.

At the time of greatest obscufation nearly nine-tenths of the solar disk will be concealed at Boston, near New-York the maximum will be seventenths, whereas in Charleston, S. C., it will be no more than three-tenths. So, too, the proportions are two-tenths for New-Orleans, six-tenths for St. Louis, and eight-tenths for Chicago. Along the Atlantic Coast the show will begin at

about sunrise, say from 5:30 to 5:40 o'clock, and end somewhere between 7:12 and 7:38 o'clock. The fur-ther west a place is dike cities on the Southern caboard) the earlier the eclipse occurs, whereas it s later at Boston than at New-York. The opera-ions of covering and uncovering will take place slowly, as will also the transition from one to the

siowly, as will also the transition from one to the other.

To watchers in New-York the lunar invasion of solar territory should be the greatest at about 6:30. At that time the sun will not be more than ten degrees above the horizon. Every one who plans to rise and observe the spectacle should be sure that he will have an unobstructed view. Provisions should also be made for protecting the eyes by smoking a piece of glass through which to observe the phenomenon.

A solar cclipse is caused by the moon getting between the sun and the earth. The moon is very much smaller than the sun. Their respectived diameters are 2:000 and 880,000 miles of respectively. But the earth's satellite is so much nearer than the central orb of the solar system that it is often able to cover it completely for intervals ranging in length from one to six minutes.

The speed at which the lunar shadow travels over the earth on such occasions is astonishing. It is not uniform, but at all times it is enormous. One element in the problem is the moon's own motion along its orbit in space, which is at the rate of 1,000 miles an hour. Then the rotation of the earth causes a given point to move toward the approaching shadow at about the same, or a greater velocity. Two or three other factors enter into the problem which cannot be simply stated in a few words. The combined effect of these influences is to carry the lunar shadow nearly half way around the globe in about three hours.

#### RUSHING NEW SCHOOLS.

#### City Spending \$12,390,237 in Erecting Necessary Buildings.

The Board of Education is expending \$12,390,237 in erecting new school buildings and additions to old ones throughout the five boroughs. Of this great sum \$5,866,240 is being spent in the Borough of Manhattan, \$1,773,548 is being expended in The Bronx and \$4,553,616 in the Borough of Brooklyn.

These figures, shown in the semi-annual report of B. J. Snyder, Superintendent of Buildings of the Board of Education, demonstrate the growth of the public school system of New-York, and although this construction work is designed to furnish additional school accommodations for 86,550 elementary pupils and 10,610 high school pupils, it is expected that when the schools open many of them will be rowded. . Plans are ready for advertising, or in the draft-

ing room, for new school buildings and additions which, when completed, will afford additional accommodations for 38.250 elementary pupils and 1,500 high school pupils.

### SIGNED IN IGNORANCE.

#### Mrs. Simon Says Her Husband Did Not Abandon Her.

Mrs. Rose Simon yesterday said she did not know what she was doing last Friday when she signed with a cross, an affidavit charging her husband. Jacob Simon, with abandonment.
"The first I knew what I had done was when a

policeman took my husband away," she explained. "When I came before Magistrate Pool, in the Es-sex Market Police Court, he got the idea that my husband did not support me. I wouldn't answer his questions when he asked me if Jacob was a bad usband. He never abandoned me and my eight

"Then they got me to sign a paper. I didn't know what was in it and I don't know who got me to sign it, because the magistrate and the clerk and the interpreter were all around me. I couldn't understand what they said in English and the inter preter didn't tell me everything."

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The affidavit follows:

First Division, City Magistrates' Court,

Third District.

Deposition in case of Dis. Person. City and County
of New-York, ss.:

Rose Simon, of No. 40! East 8th-st., being duly
sworn and examined, in the presence of Jacob
Simon, the defendant, says:

I am the lawful wife of the said defendant, having been married to him on the 2d September, 1852,
in Russia, and am the mother of eight children, of
whom he is the father, and of whom there are eight
still living.

That the said defendant abandoned me in this city
and county on the 10th day of August, 1965, leav-

That the said defendant abandoned me in this city and county on the 10th day of August, 1995, leaving me without adequate support; and he has not contributed to my support nor to the support of his said children since the 10th day of August, 1905.

That the said defendant is able to carn and does actually earn the sum of \$55 cach week, and is fully able to support me and his said children, and as I have no means whereby to support myself or said children, unless the defendant contributes to my support, I am liable to become a burden upon the POSE X SIMON.

Her mark.

mark.
Sworn to before me this 25th day of August, 1905.
JOSEPH POOL, City Magistrate.

### PLAN INDEFINITE FIGHT.

#### Chicago Typesetters Demand Signed Agreements on Eight Hour Day.

Chicago, Aug. 28.-Having planned to raise enough funds to carry a small army of men on strike in-definitely, officers of Typographical Union here to-day demand signed agreements from members of the Typothetæ, guaranteeing the eight hour day, under threat of instant strike. By alming to have a general strike of job printers in all the big cities a general strike of job printers in all the big cities near Chicago, from Ohio to Missouri and Minnesota, local union men plan to halt the importation of non-union compositors from St. Louis, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Indianapolis, Cincinnati, Cleveland and other cities where the Chicago Typothetic has been advertising for men to work under "open thea" rules. WEST POINT CADETS ALL BACK.

West Point, N. Y., Aug. 28.-The furlough class of 116 members returned to West Point Academy to-day from a leave of absence, which began on June 13. All of the classes are now in the barracks, but will have the freedom of the reservation until September 1, when studies will begin.

The Fifth Edition of the book on Stomach Troubles, Edited and Published by Dr. A. H. Swinburn, of this city, has been received with even more favor than the former editions. It carefully describes the causes and effects of the many discasses emanating from a disordered or weak stomach. The book can be obtained, free of charge, by a personal application to the Doctor at his office, No. is West 5th St., New York City, or will be sent by mail, to any address, by enclosing 10 cents to cover postage.

#### Old Sol Will Be Partly Obscured Mystery of Detective, Supposed Dead, Solved on His Return.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]
Atlantic City, N. J., Aug. 28.—Stunley Ludwick, whose mysterious disappearance and subsequent return to-day puzzled the city, left here for Phila-delphia to-night, after his strange actions had brought to light the fact that he was guarding Emma Miller, fourteen years old, to whom her grandmother, Mrs. Emma Harris, of Philadelphia, who died three weeks ago at her cottage, No. 12s North Rhode Island-ave., left nearly \$1,000,000.

The story told here this morning involves a family quarrel, in which the child's father was accused by his mother-in-law with intent to steal

The family quarrel, resulting in the employment of a detective, is said to have dated back for two years, when Miller, his wife and John Ransom. who married Mrs. Miller's sister, are reported to have quarrelled while occupying Mrs. Harris's summer cottage here. Later Miller is said to have had a quarrel with his wife, resulting in a separation. The daughter was left in her mother's care.
Several attempts have been made to effect a reconcillation, but none were successful. Mrs. Harris became imbued with the idea that an attempt was to be made to spirit away the child in hopes of diverting the money that she was to possess, and from that time until her death the household was kept in a virtual state of siege.

A buildog still is allowed at large in the cottage yard, and relays of men from a private detective agency in Philadelphia are on guard constantly. Ludwick came here with Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Ludwick came here with Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Miller and her daughter this summer, and was never known to be out of sight of the child, accompanying her when she went for frequent drives with her grandmother.

Despite these precautions, the father is said to have reached the child on one occasion, when he made his way into the cottage and was discovered with the little girl in his arms.

Ludwick went bathing last Thursday, and did not return. He was thought to have met his death in the surf, as no news of his whereabouts could be had. He returned to-day and made public his guardianship of the little heiress.

### Secret Is Out-Modern Cræsus Lives in a Cave.

Goldfield, Nev., Aug. 28,-Scotty's bonanza has been discovered. It is in a rock ribbed chasm, surrounded on every side by precipitous walls except at the extreme southern end, which skirts on the east Death Valley.

By the merest accident the location of Scotty's rich mine was discovered by W. T. Mills, who, suffering with thirst and nearly exhausted, wandered to Scotty's desert retreat. His home is a cave in the rock. Here Scotty

keeps on hand food and champagne. His treasure vault lies a short distance further up the chasm. Scotty did everything possible to obliterate the trail of his mine.

Mills reached Bullfrog this morning and reported the discovery. Like wildfire the news spread over the Bullfrog district. Immediately a stampede began. Hundreds outfitted and a mad rush is now in progress.

# RUN AWAY WITH HEARSE.

#### Bronx Horses Endanger the Lives of Children.

A runaway team of horses attached to a white hearse, endangered the lives of three hundred children and injured a man who tried to stop them in The Bronx yesterday afternoon The hearse was returning along the Southern

Boulevard from a burial in St. Raymond Cemetery, Westchester, when, at 172d-st., the bit of one of the horses broke. Soth started to run down the grade, despite the efforts of the driver to stop them. His shouts

for aid only added to the fright of the animals,

and by the time they reached Freeman-st. the horses were running madly and the hearse was swaying from side to side At this point 300 children of St. John Chrysostom's Church, who were returning from a picnic, were crossing Southern Boulevard. Captain Richard Huen, of the 71st Regiment, whose

office is at Freeman-st. and Southern Boulevard, saw the danger and shouted, at the same time running for the horses.

He seized one of them, but was thrown to the ground, stunned and cut. The horses continued down Southern Boulevard and were stopped at Westchester-ave, by a man who threw a barrel in front of them.

### PSYCHIC TEMPLE FIGHT.

#### Breach in Alliance Over Proposed Million Dollar Building.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] Los Angeles, Aug. 28.—Rupture in the Psychic Alliance has just been caused by the announcement that Mrs. Elizabeth Joy, wife of ex-Congressman Charles Joy, of St. Louis, and Dr. Henry Frank, of New-York, are planning a

\$1,000,000 Psychic Temple for California. This move is regarded as a declaration of war on Dr. McIvor Tyndall, under whose direction a \$50,000 temple, to be the headquarters of the Psychic Alliance, of which he is president, is

about to be erected. The Psychic Alliance has 1,500 members, and until recently its president and Mrs. Joy were warm friends.

Mrs. Joy and Dr. Frank were found in consultation at the Windward Hotel. "We are sure of the necessary money," said Mrs. Joy. "I will go East in September and rush plans."

Dr. Frank said that the new institution would discourage quackery and encourage scientific

### ARRESTED FOR PICTURE.

#### Aged Criminal Taken by Police for New Identification. Because they wanted to take a new photograph

of him and thought it would be a good idea to measure him according to the Bertillon system, De-tective Sergeants Bonner and Carroll, of Brooklyn, arrested William E. Brockway, the forger and counterfeiter, yesterday afternoon. He is now eighty-three years of age, but has for many years been considered about the eleverest man in his line of crime in the world. His record extends over more than half a century. Brockway is a widower. He has been living for some time in a furnished room at No. 325 Jefferson-

ave. Brooklyn. It is said that he has been care fully watched, as there is an idea that he ha hidden away somewhere several hundred thousand dollars, the results of jobs in former years. Re-cently, it is said, the detectives had been worried because Brockway had been seen several times buying paper of a fine quality in Brooklyn stationery stores. Then they found that the only picture they had was twenty years old and learned picture they had was twenty years old and learned that the aged forger's measurements had never been taken according to the system now in use. One of the most famous of Brockway's jobs was the forgery and counterfeiting of \$240,000 in government bonds. In 1896 he was caught in Hoboken with a gang counterfeiting \$500 bills. It is said that \$600,000 of the bogus money was found in process of preparation. For this he was sent to Trenton on what it was supposed would be a life sentence, but prison life seemed to agree with him, and a year or so ago he was released.

#### MRS. KATE DOWNEY DISCHARGED. Mrs. Kate Downey, whose husband on August

17 accused her of having poisoned him, was yesterday discharged by Justice Zeller. Patrolman Tompkins, of the Morrisania station, told Justice Zeller that Downey had left the hospital last Thursday, and had not yet been found. The woman is a cousin of Frank J. Lantry. Commissioner of Corrections, and Police Captain W. W. ATTERBURY.

# OPENING TO-DAY of Fall Styles in



# All the correct shapes and shades

452 Fifth Ave., cor. 40th St. 194 Fifth Ave., Fifth Ave. Hotel.

#### Body Borne from Waves Meets News of Brother-in-Law's Fate.

Almost immediately after the body of Mrs. June RUSH TO SCOTTY'S MINE.

> stayed her usual time in the water.
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> Mrs. Hering hurrled to the Coney Island police station to report the disappearance of her guest. As she approached, Sergeant Dooley, with the pa-

As she approached, Sergeant Dooley, with the patrol wagon bearing the body of Mrs. Johnson, stopped in front of the station.

The finding of the body not more than a hundred yards from the Old Iron Pier caused a panic among the bathers. Life guards brought the body ashore. Mrs. Johnson was a guest at the Sea Gate Hotel since the early part of the season, and her object in spending the summer at the seaside was to improve her health by salt water bathing. When she left her apartments to go into the surf yesterday morning she was in the best of spirits, and remarked to several of the guests that the day was an ideal one for an ocean bath.

It was said that Mrs. Johnson was related to Mayor Tom Johnson, of Cleveland, Ohjo.

Mrs. Johnson was Miss Helen Dalgleish, of San Francisco.

was received from New-York, announcing that Mrs. June J. Johnson, his sister-in-law, had been drowned at Coney Island, at about the same time that information was given of the death of her brother-in-law.

1898, at Anniston, Ala., where he contracted a fatal case of typhold fever while stationed there as major of the 2d Arkansas Volunteers. There are no children. During the last few years Mrs. Johnson had been living in the East. June J. Johnson lived for several years in Colorado, and was the leader of the celebrated Bull Hill strike

#### Highwaymen Rob Sons of Late Boss McKane and Overlook \$1,000.

bills which George N. McKane carried in his pocket. George is blind. The brothers were going home from Coney

Island. The robbers met them almost at their gate. One drew a revolver and fired three shots, but hit neither of the men, although Ira McKane had his beard singed. The other struck George had his beard singed. The other struck George N. McKane down with a club. Then they relieved the brothers of all the jewelry that they had, which included two gold watches and chains, a diamond pin, a diamond ring and a locket which formerly belonged to the father. The robbers then asked for all the money that their victims had, eGorge N. drew out \$1.59, while his brother handed over some small change, and the highwaymen were satisfied.

The shots drew neighbors to the scene, but not before the robbers had made their escape. Dr.

The shots drew neighbors to the scene, but not before the robbers had made their escape. Dr. Morrison, of the Coney Island Reception Hospital, was summoned and dressed the wounds of the Injured man. After receiving descriptions of the highwaymen, the police, aided by many residents of the place, and men who are attending the Sheepshead Bay races, started the hunt for the robbers. At a late hour they had not been found.

### NORTHWESTERN'S ANNUAL REPORT.

#### Net Income for Last Year \$10,417,822, and Net Increase \$988,438.

operations of the Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company for the year ended June 30. 1905, was given out to-day. The average number of miles operated was 7,408. The gross earnings were \$55,745,275-from passengers. \$13,339,713; freight, \$39,292,830; express, mail and miscellaneous, \$3,112,730.

649,311-operating expenses (65.40 per cent of gross earnings), \$36,459,334; taxes, \$2,189,976. The net earnings were \$17,095,963. Other charges were: Interest on bonds and interest \$7,006,576; sinking funds, \$225,000; total, \$7,-

Deducting this from the net earnings, and adding income from investments, \$553,435, leaves the net income, \$10,417,822. Deducting dividends (8 per cent on preferred stock and 7 per cent on common stock), \$5,174,924, leaves the surplus net income \$5,242,898. Deducting expenditures for construction, improvements and permanent additions, \$4,600,000, leaves the balance income for 1905, \$642,898.

# TAGGART CASE LIVELY.

#### Opposing Attorneys Pass Lie-Judge Quells Disturbance.

Wooster, Ohio, Aug. 28.-The opposing attorney in the Taggart divorce case nearly came to blow to-day in a controversy over a letter referred to in papers received from the War Department by Captain Taggart's attorneys.

The letter was from Adjutant General Corbin and referred to the charges of General Miner. It was to the effect that the report had been shown to the Secretary of War, and he regretted this unfavorable report about a man otherwise an efficient officer; that Captain Taggart should be admenished, that he should keep the pledge he made and that a monthly report on his conduct be made to the War Department.

The inference by Mrs. Taggart's attorneys was that the letter had been removed from a number of papers receive from Washington. This was resented by Taggart's attorneys, and when Mr. Went who had been under examination, left the stand be made a remark to ex-Judge Smyser, which the latter resented. Wertz then called Smyser a line, and confusion prevailed. The feeling was intense and bitter for a minute. Judge Elason finally quelled

and bitter for a minute. Judge rason many queled the disturbance.

Mrs. Taggart took the witness stand in her own behalf. She said she was thirty-five years old; that she was adopted by the Culver family in Chicago when she was three or four years old; that her adopted father, who at one time was president of the Chicago Board of Trade, had given her every educational advantage, and that her marriage with Captain Taggart had been purely a love match.

# CITY DEMOCRATS PLAN.

### Convention Will Be October 5-Talk of Renominating Mr. Grout.

The Democratic City Convention will be held in Carnegie Hall, at 7:39 p. m., on Thursday, October & This was decided last night at a meeting of the Democratic city committee, at the Democratic Club, 5th-ave, and 50th-st. The subcommittee on the meeting is Eugene J. Maguire, George Plunkitt, James Regan, George Creed and Franklin Vitt. In the absence in the mountains of Eugena J. Maguire the report was made by George W.

Plunkitt. James J. Martin presided.

The members of the city committee present were The members of the city committee present were: From New-York, Charles F. Murphy, James J. Martin and George W. Piunkitt; from Brooklyn, Patrick H. McCarren, Thomas Kane, John M. Gray, Conrad Hasenflug and James Regan; from Queens County, Joseph Cassidy, P. J. Marra, George Creed, George Wallace and Joseph P. Powers; from Richmond County, Edward M. Muller, J. J. Kenny, Franklin Vitt and F. W. Owen. In the absence of Thomas F. Smith, through sickness, Willia Holly, secretary to the Park Commission, acted as secretary to the meeting.

When the meeting was over Senator McCarren was asked about the repeated rumors that Controller Grout would be renominated. He said:

"When I talked with Mr. Grout, just before his sailing, he said nothing about declining a renomination."

### INDORSE FORD FOR MAYOR.

Both the anti-Gruber Republican Club, of the 21st Assembly District, and the Citizens Union of night in which they indorsed ex-Senator John Ford as a candidate for Mayor. The Citizens Union organization, after stating that the dominant issue of the campaign ought to be the municipal control of public utilities, suggested Ford as a candidar, who is well qualified and who would run well with the people of New-York. The auti-Gruer Club indorsed Ford as the "most desirable and strongest candidate the Republican party can support."

TAMMANY COMMITTEE CALLED. A meeting of the Tammany executive committee has been called for this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Wigwam, in 14th-st. It is unusual for the ex-ecutive committee to meet in the afternoon. When Charles F. Murphy was asked about the procedure he şaid, "Well, strange things happen in politics."

### REPUBLICAN CLUB PICNIC.

The 7th Assembly District Republican Club, of which John J. Hannon is the president, as well as the leader of the district, held its annual picnic last night, at the Manhattan Casino, at 155th-st. and Sth-ave. About three thousand enthusiastic Republicans were present. Many of them went to the place in twelve big "seeing New-York" automobiles, forming a parade lighted by red fire and torches. Several well known Republicans were present.

ENVOYS INVITED TO STATE FAIR. Syracuse, Aug. 28.—The New-York State Fair Commission to-day sent an invitation to the Russian and Japanese peace envoys at Portsmouth to attend the State Fair here, which opens on September II, as the guests of the commission.

NOT BLAMED FOR LINDSLEY'S DEATH.

#### Engineer and Fireman of Fatal Train Released from Custody. Bennington, Vt., Aug. 28.-William Sidney and

William Manean, who have been held by the local authorities on a charge of manslaughter. in connection with the accident which resulted in the death of Harris Lindsley, of New-York,

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# DEATH MESSAGES PASS.

J. Johnson, a magazine writer under the name of Helen Dixie Johnson, was taken from the surf at Sheridan's Walk, Coney Island, yesterday afternoon a telegram addressed to the woman was received at the Sea Gate Hotel, to inform her of the death of her brother-in-law, Allen N. Johnson, president of the Little Rock (Ark.) Bank, which had occurred at almost the same hour that Mrs. Johnson left her hotel to bathe in the ocean.

The telegram, which caused the quick identification of Mrs. Johnson, was received by Mrs. Laura Hering, the manager of the Sea Gate Hotel, who, believing the message to be an important one, sought her guest. Inquiry among other guests of the hotel led Mrs. Hering to believe that Mrs. Johnson had met with an accident, as she had long over-

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.] -Little Rock, Ark., Aug. 28.—At the funeral of Allen N. Johnson yesterday afternoon a telegram

Mrs. Johnson married June J. Johnson in San Franisco in 1897, and her husband died in September.

# THESE THUGS CARELESS.

George N. McKane and Ira McKane, sons of the late John Y. McKane, at one time political boss at Coney Island, were held up and robbed outside their home at Sheepshead Bay, last night. The highwaymen, one of whom was said to be a negro and the other white, got two watches, some jewelry and \$150 in money, while they overlooked \$1,000 in

Chicago, Aug. 28.-The annual report of the

The operating expenses and taxes were \$38.-

permanent additions, \$4.600,000, leaves the balance income for 1905, \$642,898.

DR. A. S. DRAPER AT PORTLAND, ORE.

Portland, Ore.. Aug. 28.—The Lewis and Clark Educational Congress assembled in Portland to-day for a four day session. Among the speakers was Dr. A. S. Draper, Commissioner of Education, of New-York.

in the death of Harris Lindsley, of New-York and Miss Evelyn P. Willing, were discharged from custody by Judge Bates, of the Municipal Court, to-day. The court declared that there was no reason why action should be taken against the two men.

Sydney was engineer and Manean was fremman of the Rutland Railroad train which struck the automobile in which Lindsley and Miss Willing were riding, at a crossing in Benning-ton on August 14.

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